REMARKS

Applicants hereby request examination of the captioned application.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the present application or believe that further discussion will advance prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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[0013] Figure 2 (a)-shows the C-terminal sequences of melittin and melittin-like peptides (left) and ; figure 2(b) illustrates that the ε-amino groups of the two lysines are coupled with two glutamate residues to neutralize the positive charges of the terminus (right).